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GRIGGS TO GUIDE PARTY TO VICTORY

Representative Heads Democratic Congressional Campaigners.

THERE'LL BE, A FIGHT ALL ALONG THE LINE

New Chairman Says That His Election Doesn't Favor Fortune of Any Single Person-Recent Conquests Indicate

(From Our Regular Correspondent.)
WASHINGTON, D. C., March 6.—The
Democratic national congressional eximpalgin committee at its meeting to-night
unanimously reflected the following officers to have charge of the campaign
this fall; Representative James Griggs, of
Georgia, chairman; Charles A. Edwards,
Texas, secretary; Captain Joseph
Jearcy, of Tennesee, assistant secretary;
James I. Norris, District of Columbia,
treasurer; Joseph T. Sinnot, of Virginia,
sergeant-at-arms.
Mr. Griggs made the following states

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Mr. Griggs made the following state-ent concerning his election:

"There has been much guessing of te as to the meaning of my election schairman. This generous expression? your confidence in me means nothing at that you wanted me to conduct this umpaign and consented to do it. My electon means nothing but a fight all along the line for a Democratic House of Recesentatives. It bears no relations to be political fortunes of any one or the cocess of any faction. Let us every one arm in now and make the best fight in a until next November."

A committee composed of Representa-

MUCH EXPECTED FROM MR. GRIGGS

Chances Seem to Favor a Democratic Majority in Next House of Congress.

Of Congress.

While the election of Judge Griggs to the chairmanship of the Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee to-night is not viewed as portending certain Democratic victory in the fall elections, the fact is recognized that Mr. Griggs has an effective way of working when it comes to gaining representatives. He conducted the fight for the Democratic and the party made good gains that year. It is universally recognized, by Republicans as well as Democratic, that the chances are favorable to the atter this fall. It would not surprise the more sangular of the Democratic file more sangular of the Democratic file.

John Sharp Williams, in the course of a speech in the House some weeks upo. His neat summing up of the situation has been much quoted, as very aptly describing the existing conditions. The courses of the minority in Congress, especially in the Senate, at this session, is believed to have had a most salutary effect on the country. The House minority has accomplished little, but in the Senate it has done a great deal.

In fact, the public has not a good idea of the Senate have placed on legislation this year, or will have placed on legislation of the Senate have placed on legislation this year, or will have placed on legislation of the Senate have placed on legislation of the House albowed to pass,

They have held up, and will greatly modify the Panama Canal legislation proposed by the administration.

It is predicted that the bill which passed the House admitting Okahoma and the Indian Territory to the Union so noe State, and admitting New Mexico and Arlzona as one State, will be ammended in the Senate, through the offers of a few Republicans and all the Democrates of a few Republicans and all the Democrates of the House admitting Okahoma and Arlzona as one State, and admitting New Mexico and Arlzona and New Mexico may yoto separately on the proposition as to goint statchood. This is taken to mean the certain refusal of the two territories to come into the Union as a single State, are measure on which the President has set his heart.

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The Democrats have not in any Congress shown more of the fighting spirit and more forcibly demonstrated the importance of a strong, united, aggressive minority in a legislative body. It is regretted that more of this spirit has not been shown by the Democrats of the House, where legislation by nanimous consent has become the order of the day and of every day. The course of the Senate Bemocrats makes it plain that the party has a great deal of the old-time fighting spirit in it yet, and that a good battle may be expected this fall. The fact that all the men who will be at Republican headquarters will be

CAMPAIGN GIFTS MAY BE LARCENY

New York Jury Trying to Solve Guilt of Corporations.

QUESTION OF LEGAL AUTHORIZATION

If Officers of Big Trust Companies Can't Prove (and Possibly if They Can) That Contributions Benefited Company, May Go to Jail

(By Associated Press.) NEW YORK, March 6.—The New York ment reciting that the grand jury had been informed by the district attorney that there is reasonable grounds to believe that within the statute of limitations officers or trustees of large corporations Justice O'Sullivan, of the Court of Gen have been committed were

May Be Larceny

MOTHER OF SUFFRAGISTS IS SERIOUSLY ILL

She is eighty-six years For a long time Miss Anthon

NOT CHANGED HANDS

MR. L. O. WENDENBURG'S HOME OBJECT OF NEGROES' WRATH



FRONT VIEW OF RESIDENCE.

ANDY HAMILTUN BACK TO GOTHAM

Protege Turns Up in New York Under An Assumed Name.

WILL ACCEPT CHALLENGES

Erstwhile Life Insurance Lobbyist Has a Few Stones for Glass Houses.

liton returned to New York to-day o Miltonn. Mr. Hamilton was at the Life, John C. McCall, secretary of th

York Life affairs. leath, Mr. Hamilton said be gave the

STEUNENBERG CASE

President of Company Gives Out Statement Precluding Possibility of Combination.

(By Associated Press.) BIRMINGHAM, ALA., March 6.—J. C. Maben, president of the Sloss-Sheffield Steel and Iron Company, to-day gave out this statement regarding the story hat his company is to be included in the reported general merger of Southern iron and steel interests with the United

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Six Men Under Arrest for Murder of Former Governor to Be Arraigned.

(By Associated Press.)

CALDWELL, IDAHO, March u.—The grand jury which has been investigating the assassination of former Governor Steumenberg, made its report to Judge Smith this afternoon, Judge Smith withheld the names of the persons indicted, it is stated, however, that the six-men under arrest and detained in the State penitentiary at Boise, are included in the indictments, and that they will be arraigned before Judge Smith to-merrow. It is believed a special train will be used to bring them here from Boise, as the officers fear that an attempt upon the life of Harry Orchard and Steve Adams may be made if an opportunity is offered.

County and State Offer Reward for Arrest of Fire Fiends.

WOULD RECOGNIZE THE MAN

Mrs. Wendenburg Says She Would Know the Man Who Came Monday.

Negro Under Suspicion Mrs. Wendenburg furnished the following description of the negro who came to the front door Monday night,

came to the front door Monday night, just prior to the fire:

"A black negro, about five feet two inches, heavy set. Large lower lip and smooth face. He wore a dark suit, with negligee shirt. I should think he was about thirty years of age. I would recognize him again."

The board of supervisors of Henri The board of supervisors of Henrico county will, at a meeting to be held Friday morning, offer a reward for the capture of the unknown negro who appeared at the home of Mr. L. O. Wendenburg, in Barton Heights Monday night, just prior to the discovery of fire that



Fired On Unknown Person Who Tried to Force Entrance.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
WILLIAMSBURG, VA. March 6.—An unknown person tried to force an entrance into the room of Miss Nannie Davis, principal of the William and Mary practice school, in the home of Mrs. Harrison, on Duke of Gloucester Street, last night, Miss Davis was aroused by some one trying to turn the bolt of the door. When she asked who it was, the person threw himself against the door. could reach her revolver, which was under some books on a table near her the person threw himself against the door

several times.
Miss Davis then fired several bullets Miss Davis then men severa bone, a through the door, putting the would be robber to flight. Br. King, hearing the reports of the revolver, hastened to the house. Diligent search was made for the man, but he had made good his escape. Miss Davis had just received a large check the day before, and it is generally supposed that the attempted robbery was supposed that the attempted round the made by some negro working around the place, who had seen her get the check,

THE WEATHER

Forecast: Virginia-Fair Wednesday and Thursday; variable winds, mostly southerly.
North Carolina-Fair and warmer Wed-nesday; Thursday, fair; fresh east to southeast winds.

Conditions Yesterday lighest temperature yesterday....

Lowest temperature yesterday. 29
Mean temperature yesterday. 38
Normal temperature for March. 33
Departure from normal temperatur. 11 Thermometer This Day Last Year 9 A. M. 34 6 P. M. 44 12 M. 35 9 P. M. 41 3 P. M. 38 12 mtdnight. 44 (Average. 43 1-3.)

Condition: in Important Cities.

(At 8 P. M., Eastern Time,) Ther, High, T.

Miniature Almanac. March 7, 1906. HIGH TIDE.

ccunty with a reward from the State for the apprehension of the negro, who, is believed either to have been the fire-flend or to have been an accomplice of the person who ascended the rear steps of the house and set fire to a lot of waste paper and a mattress that were in the room designed for the use of servants.

the home of Mr. Wendenburg, as printed in yesterday's edition of The Times-Dispatch greatly aroused citizens of every class, who expressed their indignation at the dastardly work of the flend whose intentions were not only to destroy the

The Smell of Kerosene

The accompanying cuts shows the po-tion of the house. The rear view shows sition of the house. The rear view shows the stairway up which the fire-bug went to reach the small room in which he started the fire. At the head of the stairs is a small porch and from this a door leads into the hall of the house. From the hall another door opens into the servants' room. This door is not usually closed and certainly was not locked Monday afternoon or evening. When the volunteer firemen and neighbors reached the house and rushed through the hall

V.P.I. MATTER TO-NIGHT

BATTLE ROYAL ON

(Continued on Fourth Page.)

BIG COAL DEAL Virginia Embraced in Seaboard's Trunk Line

PENNSY BEHIND

Project. FORTY MILLIONS

IN PROPOSITION

Clinchfield Corporation, Which is Building New Line From Tennessee, is to Be the Operating Head of the Seaboard

System.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
PITTSBURG. PA., March 6.—It was authoritatively stated here this afternoon that the plans of the Seaboard Air Line for its new trunk line to the South from Tennessee includes the purchase of 360,000 acres of coal lands and their development in connection with the railroad project. These lands stand in the name of the Clinchfield Corporation, which is the underlying company that is building the Seaboard's new line. The Pennsylvania Railroad, which dominates the Seaboard's polley, has a hand in the project, and \$50,000,000 are behind it. This will include the cost of new trunk line. The money, it is said, has been raised by Alfred Walters, formerly president of the Lehigh Valley Railroad, who is now president of the Clinchfield Corporation. This corporation will later become the operating head of the Seaboard system.

The coal properties which have been purchased by the Clinchfield Corporation on behalf of the Seaboard Air Line, embrace about 250,000 acres of land in Wythe and Dickinson counties, Virginia, it also owns 112,000 acres of coal lands purchased from the Crane's Nest Company, Much of this fuel is in the celebrated Pocahontas field, and the plan of the Seaboard when its trunk line is completed is to open a market for it in the South and Southwest, and distribute it to the Gulf and Atlantic seaports for export.

PENNYPACKER VETOES INVESTIGATION OF ROADS

(By Associated Press.)

HARRISBURG, PA., March 6,—Governor Penypacker to-day vetoed the resolution providing for an investigation by a special committee into the affairs of the Philadelphia and Reading Company and the Philadelphia and Reading Coal and Iron Company, and the resolution directing the Attorney-General to Inquire by what right the Pennsylvania and other railroads in this State are engaged in the anthracite coal mining business.

Both of these resolutions.

by the recent extra session of the Penn sylvania Legislature, and were vetoed the Governor states, because they were not germane to the call for the session.

IRON WORKERS ARRESTED FOR ATTEMPTING MURDER

(By Associated Press,)

NEW YORK, March 6.—Charles Moran and Thomas Weir, two members of the Structural Iron Workers' Inion, were arrested to-night, following their indictment by grand jury on charges of attempting to explode dynamite in a place where human lives were endangered. The men were arraigned and held for trial in \$1,500 ball each. It is alleged they were concerned in a plot to dynamite a building being creeted in East Twenty-third Street by Post and McCord, who have recently been employing non-union men.

GERMANY TO BUILD SIX ARMORED CRUISERS

(By Associated Press.)
BERLIN, March 5.—The Appropriation
Committee of the Reichstag, on which
all the parliamentary groups are represented, to-day approved, with a few dis-senting votes, the government's measure providing for the construction of six ad-ditional armored cruisers.

SUPREME COURT TURNS DOWN MEMBER'S ORDER

TRENTON, N. J., March 5.—The Supreme Court to-day decided that Justice Garrettson has no authority to grant the motion for a new trial for Mrs. Tolia, now under sentence of death. The Court of Pardons will meet Friday to consider the case of Mrs. Tolia. It is generally believed here that the woman's sentence will be commuted to life imprisonment.

SENATOR B. PENROSE DEVELOPS PIOUS TURN

Introduces Bill to Prohibit Sun-Senator Daniel and Mr. Braxton day Opening of Gates at Will Clash on Christian Jamestown Exposition. Widespread interest is being taken in

Widespread interest is being taken in the review by the House Committee on Schools and Colleges to high to f the decision of the faculty and visitors of the virginia Polytechnic Institute in the recent hazing case, so-called, as a result of which three cadets—one a son of Judge George L. Christian, of this city, were diabled matriculation at the school.

Practically the entire board of visitors of the institute will be present, and the rector and probably some others will address the committee, Judge Christian and Senator Daniel will appear in behalf of the cadets, and the institute will be represented by the Hon. A. C. Bruxton, of Staunton; Judge Horsley, of Lynchburg, and Captain Johnson, of Christiansburg. The argument promises to be heated, and in view of the prominence of the counsel on both sides, the hearing will attract much attention.

The Senate Committee on Public Institutions and Education yesterday had difficulty in securing a quorum, and took no action on the proposition that it sit with the House committee at the hearing. The Senate committee at the hearing, with the House committee at the hearing, with the House committee at the hearing, the Senate committee at the hearing, and in regular session until Thursday.

March 7, 1906.
Sun rises... 3:31 HIGH TIDE.
Sun sets. 6:08 Morning. 2:37 The Senate committee does not meet tow. The vessel was left by Moon sets... 4:20 Evening... 2:21 again in regular session until Thursday.

INVESTIGATION REPORT TO-DAY

Byrd Committee Will Almost Certainly Report This Morning.

FIERY DEBATES IN BOTH HOUSES

Senate Discusses Two-Cent Rate Bill and Supplementary Appropriations-The Lower House Kills Powell Bill to Prevent Foot-Ball.

which investigated the Corporation Commission will almost cer-This announcement will enlist great in

erest, for nothing has occurred in Richmond in recent years which has excited popular concern to a degree as this inwhich have been more closely guarded

It was thought quite likely that the

eport would be ready for announcement last night, but the document was no quite completed and will not be signed

what it sets forth, whether of mindings or of recommendations; whether of censure or of commendation, no one outside of the committee knows, and these gentlemen have backed themselves up against a wall of propriety and discretion, and not a word will they say. Appropriation Bill.

As the session draws rapidly to a close, the two houses of the Legislature are working overtime, holding three long sessions daily.

The matter of perhaps the greatest interest in either branch yesterday was the rejection by the House of the conference report on the general appropriation bill and the request of the body for a new committee of conference. The committee will be named to-day and another conference held at once, it was thought by some that the turning down of the report was a move to force an extra session, but this is perhaps not the case. There was some sharp cross-firing over the motion to reject, which was made by Mr. Churchman. The fight on this side was led by the Augusta member. Mesers, Rew, Royail, Lane and others, while was mode by Mr. Thurchman. The fight on this side was led by the Augusta member. Mesers, Rew, Royail, Lane and others, while western homeoned the report.

The House was in a scrappy humor all day. The first fight came upon a motion made by Mr. Throckmorton to limit debate, and this finally prevailed after much sharp debate and some amendments.

The House engrossed the bill relieving medical doctors from the payment of license taxes, and refused to advance the Powell anti-foot-ball measure.

The Senate also had several spicy debates. One was over the Churchman two-cent passenger rate bill, and this finally want over.

cent passenger rate bill, and this finally went over.

Another was over the supplementary

Another was over the supplementary apprepriation bill, already passed by the House. It was debated and went over as a special order until to-day.

The two houses will hold three sessions to-day.

THE SENATE.

Will Investigate Price of School Books-Rate Bill Again To-day.

The earlier hour of opening found com-paratively few senators in their seat, but members began to come in rapidly and the body was soon at work on the calendar. Several important late com-mittee reports were received. The House tolut resolution calling for a commission

calendar. Several important late committee reports were received. The House joint resolution calling for a commission to investigate the price of school books in Virginia, was taken up and unanimously adopted.

Several members were passed by temporarily and the Machen bill to regulate the lending of money on household and kitchen furniture and so forth, came up on its passage, the motion of Mr. Sale, of Norfolk, to reconsider the engrossment being rejected after that senator had stated that he would postpone his objection until the final vote. Declaring that he was heartly in sympathy with the object of the bill, which is to prevent the lending of money at usurious rates of interest, but in his opinion the measure instead of accomplishing this worthy purpose, actually went to the other extreme and legalized an interest rate of as much as 72 per cent. In support of this argument he declared that the lobby of usurers who come to Richmond to oppose the bill when it was first introduced had laid down their arms and silently stolen away as soon as they learned the provisions of the proposed new act. Mr. Machen explained the bill, and though disagreeing with Mr. Sale-secured unanimous consent to make twe or three amendments, meeting all objections. The bill was then unanimously pussed.

Forced Rate Bill Up.

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From the Committee on Finance and Banks came a long list of bills, including the supplementary appropriation bill, the bill appropriating certain sums for Capitol Traiture, and the bill appropriating site, one to the Finance Committee the encouragement of immigration. At the request of the Finance Committee these appropriation bills were fixed as a special order for 12:30 o'clock. An effort to get up the Churchman two-cent rate bill out of its order met with much opposition, certain senators indicating that while they might eventually favor the bill, they objected to any suspension of rules giving one measure an advantage over another. Others, including Judge Tavenner, of Shenandoah; Mr. Fulton of Warren; Major Rison, of Pittsylvania, and Mr. St. Clair, of Giles, declared that the rate bill was one of the very greatest importance to the people of Virginia; that to leave it upon the calendar meant its death, and that the Senate must decide it it would allow the measure to meet lit defeat in this way. By a close vore the defeat in this way. By a close your the Senate decided to take the bill up out of its order. The motion required twenty-seven votes, and received twenty-six on the roll call. The clerk was reading the names when two senators entered has

(From Our Regular Correspondent.)